ABOVE THE CROWD

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SARNO
First Published Photo
THE ABOVE HEADLINE HAS GRACED THE PHOTOS OF THIS DARING NEWS CAMERAMAN MORE THAN ANYONE ELSES.— RECENTLY, DISGUISED AS A TRUCKMAN, HE HID IN THE BACK OF A TRUCK AND GOT THE FIRST PHOTO OF ANN LINDBERGH AND HER SECOND CHILD— ALL DESPITE MANY GUARDS. (HE TOOK THE PICTURES THROUGH A HOLE IN THE BODY)
IN 1928 EVERY PAPER IN NEW YORK WAS TRYING TO SECURE PICTURES OF MRS. GRACE BURNHAM'S "EUGENIC" BABY. THE HOSPITAL SOUGHT ALL MEANS TO PREVENT THEM. SARNO TOOK A ROOM IN A HOUSE ADJOINING THE HOSPITAL, DRESSED HIMSELF AS A CARPENTER, WALKED ACROSS THE ROOF TO THE HOSPITAL SUN PORCH AND PHOTOGRAPHED THE INFANT FROM ABOVE!
(DAILY MIRROR)
AS A SHIP NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER HE MADE MANY THRILLING DASHES OUT TO SEA TO MEET INCOMING LINERS, AND SECURED HIS PICTURES DESPITE ALL SORTS OF HAZARDS.
IT'S A TOUGH GAME— HE'S BEEN STEPPED ON BY STEEPLE CHASE HORSES, BEAT UP BY COPS, AND THREATENED BY GANGSTERS!
BUT I LOVES IT.
SARNO
HE RISKED INJURY TIME AND AGAIN FROM FLYING BRICKS, POLICE CLUBS AND TEAR GAS TO SECURE SENSATIONAL STRIKE PICTURES. ONE DAY HE HAD FOUR CAMERAS SMASHED!

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THE RADIO DETECTIVE
SOME 22 YEARS AGO A DR. CRIPPEN LIVED IN LONDON. HIS WIFE DISAPPEARED AND THE DOCTOR TOLD FRIENDS THAT SHE HAD GONE TO AMERICA. THEN A NEIGHBOR REPORTED SEEING HIS PRETTY SECRETARY WEARING HIS WIFE'S CLOTHES! DETECTIVE YOUNG OF SCOTLAND YARD, AFTER INVESTIGATING, HAD 2 MEN DIG IN CRIPPEN'S CELLAR. THEY UNCOVERED THE BODY OF HIS WIFE!
DETECTIVE ALBERT — YOUNG
SCOTLAND YARD
RADIO
BUT NOW CRIPPEN HAD DISAPPEARED! YOUNG HAD SCOTLAND YARD BROADCAST A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION, AND FROM FAR OUT ON THE ATLANTIC CAME WORD FROM THE CAPTAIN OF A FREIGHTER BOUND FOR CANADA THAT A MAN OF THAT DESCRIPTION WAS ABOARD — ACCOMPANIED BY A BOY!
YOUNG CAUGHT A FASTER BOAT AND WAS WAITING FOR CRIPPEN ON THE DOCK. THE HAT WAS KNOCKED FROM THE HEAD OF THE "BOY" WITH HIM. THE "BOY" PROVED TO BE HIS PRETTY SECRETARY!
(THIS WAS THE FIRST CASE ON RECORD IN WHICH THE RADIO WAS USED TO CATCH A CRIMINAL.)
THAT'S WHY THEY CALL HIM THE RADIO DETECTIVE
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COWBOY ARTIST
IN 1881 A 16 YEAR OLD LAD RAN AWAY FROM HOME, JOINED A WAGON TRAIN GOING WEST AND EVENTUALLY SETTLED IN MONTANA. HE BECAME ONE OF THE HARDEST RIDING, STRAIGHTEST SHOOTING COWBOYS IN THE WEST — CHARLIE RUSSELL COULD RIDE ANYTHING.
CHARLIE RUSSELL
WANTED TO BE A GUNHAN.'
HE LEARNED TO SHOOT HOLES IN TIN CANS THROWN IN THE AIR — LATER HIS MARKSMANSHIP HELPED HIM BEAT OFF RUSTLERS WHO STOLE HIS STOCK.
ONE DAY CHARLIE DECIDED TO PAINT A PICTURE. IT WAS SO GOOD THAT THE PRINCE OF WALES LATER PAID $10,000 FOR IT.'
A PERFESSER OF COWBOY LORE HE WAS - YASSUH"
HE BECAME SO GOOD THAT THE U. OF MONTANA AWARDED HIM THE DEGREE OF "DOCTOR OF HISTORY." (BECAUSE HE TAUGHT HISTORY IN HIS PAINTINGS.)
THE PICTURE THAT MADE HIM FAMOUS, "THE LAST OF THE HERD," WAS PAINTED WITH ORDINARY HOUSE PAINT ON THE SIDE OF A BARN.!
PAINT
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PALS AND ENEMIES!
PAT GARRET, GREATEST SHERIFF IN THE SOUTHWEST, AND BILLY THE KID WERE ONCE CLOSE PALS. THEY HUNTED, CAMPED, AND DRANK TOGETHER. BUT WHEN BILLY TURNED BANDIT AND BECAME THE SCOURGE OF THE COUNTRY THE PEOPLE ELECTED PAT TO BRING HIM IN. THE BATTLES THEY HAD WERE CLASSICS.
SHERIFF
Pat Garret
ON THEIR FIRST ENCOUNTER THE KID ESCAPED. THE SECOND TIME PAT TRAPPED THE KID IN A HUT AND WHEN THE PANGS OF HUNGER BEGAN TO GNAW HE FORCED BILLY TO SURRENDER BY FRYING A PAN OF BACON.. THE SMELL OF FOOD RUINED THE KID!
THE KID ESCAPED JAIL BY KILLING TWO GUARDS WITH A SHOTGUN WHILE PAT WAS OUT BUYING TIMBER TO MAKE THE KID'S GALLOWS. PAT FINALLY TRAILED HIM TO A HOUSE IN FORT SUMNER NEW MEXICO.
ONE NIGHT WHILE THE KID WAS OUT PAT SLIPPED INTO THE HOUSE AND SHOT BILLY AS HE ENTERED THE DARK ROOM—THUS DIED THE SCOURGE OF THE OLD WEST!
LATER TWO OF BILLY'S PALS KILLED GARRET. HE DIED WITH HIS BOOTS ON
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A MAN!
ARMENIANS, WHEREVER THEY ARE, REVERE HIS NAME. WHEN THE WORLD WAR STARTED THE RUSSIANS SOUGHT OUT THIS FAMOUS SOLDIER AND GAVE HIM A HIGH COMMAND. HE WON ALMOST EVERY HONOR FIGHTING ALONG THE CAUCASIAN FRONT. THE RUSSIANS DECIDED TO QUIT THE FIGHT—BUT NOT ANTRANIK.—WITH ABOUT 3000 MEN HE MOVED OVER INTO ARMENIA TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE AGAINST THE TURKS. OFFICIALS CLAIM HIS SOLDIERS (INSPIRED BY HIM) WERE THE GREATEST BODY OF FIGHTING MEN IN HISTORY.
ANTRANIK!
ONE OF THE MOST GLAMOROUS, THE MOST ROMANTIC, THE MOST PICTURESQUE FIGHTING MEN THE WORLD EVER SAW.
IN BUCHAREST A STATUE IS BEING ERECTED TO HIS MEMORY.
WITH NO HELP FROM THE ALLIES HE PROTECTED THE ARMENIANS FOR MONTHS. FOR 60 DAYS, AT ONE PERIOD, HIS MEN LIVED ON BLACKBERRIES!
EVER LOYAL, WHEN HE FINALLY DISBANDED HE SOLD HIS OWN HORSES IN ORDER TO PAY HIS MEN.
HE DIED IN THIS COUNTRY WHILE SEEKING AID FOR HIS PEOPLE.
HE WAS EVER THE CHAMPION OF THE WEAK AGAINST THE STRONG.
ARMY MEN STILL TALK OF HIS FEATS PERFORMED DURING THE WORLD WAR.—HIS FAMOUS RETREAT INTO THE MOUNTAINS OF ZANGEZUR.—HIS GALLANT ATTEMPT TO DESTROY THE BRIDGE AT JULFA, AND HIS CAPTURE OF BITLIS.
—A GENTLEMAN AND A HERO—

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AVIATION'S BAD BOY
IN 1927 HE FLEW ADMIRAL BYRD ACROSS THE ATLANTIC THROUGH RAIN AND FOG ON ONE OF THE WORST CROSSINGS IN HISTORY. FOR YEARS HE HAS BEEN CALLED THE BEST OF ALL THE TOP NOTCH FLYERS, BY THE FLYERS THEMSELVES.'
HIS SENSATIONAL STUNTS FINALLY CAUSED THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO TAKE AWAY HIS LICENSE. BERT WAS TOO DARING.'
BERT ACOSTA
GROUNDED IN 1928, HE IS NOW FLYING AGAIN.
HE MADE 180 DEGREE TURNS A FEW FEET OFF THE GROUND.'
HE FLEW SO LOW OVER A CONNECTICUT TOWN THAT HE PASSED BENEATH AN ORDINARY RAILROAD BRIDGE.'
HE LANDED A BORROWED PLANE IN A HERD OF COWS.'
—AND AFTER LOSING HIS LICENSE HE FLEW UNLICENSED OLD WAR PLANES.'
THEY SAY BERT WOULD FLY A BARN DOOR IF COULD ATTACH A MOTOR TO IT
WHEN OTHER PILOTS REFUSED TO TEST NEW FANGLED PLANES BERT TOOK OFF AND DID WING-OVERS WITH THEM.'
IN 1931 A PRINTER BUILT A TINY HOME-MADE PLANE. PILOTS SAID IT "WOULD TAKE A BLOCK AND TACKLE" TO GET IT OFF THE GROUND. BERT CLIMBED IN AND WITH NO PARACHUTE DID STUNTS THAT LEFT THEM LIMP.'

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Prince of Pistoleers
ABILENE, KANSAS WAS IN NEED OF A MARSHAL. MANY HAD TRIED THE JOB AND ENDED UP BURIED IN BOOT HILL. THEN THERE ARRIVED WILD BILL HICKOK. WITH HIS BRACE OF GUNS AND COOL NERVE, HE ANNOUNCED TO ONE AND ALL "YOU CAN'T DRAW A SIX GUN IN THIS TOWN AND LIVE."
OVER 60 MEN TRIED BEAT-
"WILD BILL" HICKOK
1882
FASTEST MAN WITH A SIX-SHOOTER IN THE WEST — HE HANDLED A GUN LIKE A SLEIGHT OF HAND PERFORMER.'
BAD MEN OFFERED A PURSE FOR HIS CORPSE. HE BESTED ALL COMERS. ONCE IN A BATTLE WITH PHIL COE, A TEXAN, HE FIRED 5 SHOTS — ALL WERE FOUND WITHIN A FOOT OF COE'S HEART.'
HICKOK WAS DEADLY ON A TRAIL — SELDOM FAILED TO GET HIS MAN. HE FINALLY LOST HIS LIFE AT DEADWOOD N.D. WHILE IN A CARD GAME JACK MCCALL, A CHEAP GAMBLER, SHOT HIM FROM BEHIND THROUGH THE BRAIN. HE DIED INSTANTLY, YET BEFORE HE HIT THE FLOOR HIS GUN WAS IN HIS HAND!

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RAINED OUT
BILL DINEEN, ONE OF THE BEST ARBITERS IN BASEBALL, IS QUITE A CHARACTER. MANY STORIES ARE TOLD OF HIS WIT.—
IN 1919 BILL FRIEHL, AN EX-BALL PLAYER ASKED BAN JOHNSON FOR A JOB. "SURE, SAID BAN, "I NEED AN UMP TO HELP DINEEN, HE'S WORKING ALONE TODAY AT BONISKEY PARK"....
"Bill" Dineen
THERE WERE NO UMPIRES SUITED AT THE PARK. FORTUNATELY, DINEEN WORE BLUE SUITS OFF THE DIAMOND... SO AFTER MUCH ARGUMENT FRIEHL BORROWED ONE FROM HIM.... IN THE 4TH INNING IT STARTED TO RAIN....
"I'LL HAVE TO CALL THE GAME" SAID DINEEN. "IT'S ONLY A DRIZZLE" SUGGESTED FRIEHL." WELL SI AGREE TO PLAY THIS GAME."
"GAME, HELL" SAID DINEEN, "I'M WORRIED ABOUT MY SUIT."
THANKS TO MAL KASE